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The second regular Meeting of Council was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located on the Fourth floor of the Municipal Building. The following Council Members were present: Ruby B. Archie, P. A. "Pete" Castiglione, Jr., E. Stokes Daniels, Jr., Mayor John C. Hamlin, T. David Luther, Albert K. "Buddy" Rawley, Jr., Sherman M. Saunders, H. Phillip Smith, and Vice-Mayor R. Wayne Williams, Jr. (9).

Staff members present were City Manager Jerry L. Gwaltney, Deputy City Manager M. Lyle Lacy, III, Assistant City Manager for Utilities Joseph C. King, Assistant City Manager for Government Affairs Todd M. Yeatts, Interim City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., Finance Director Aubrey D. Dodson, and Clerk of the Council Annette Y. Crane, CMC.

Other Staff members present were Police Chief Philip Broadfoot, Housing and Development Director Angela Boyte, Economic Development Director Ron Bunch, Community Development Director Jerry Fischer, and Human Resources Director Andrea Witt.

Mayor Hamlin presided.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Rawley offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mayor Hamlin read a proclamation citing May 2-8, 2004 as Municipal Clerks Week. He presented a plaque to City Clerk Annette Crane and thanked her for her service to the City.

ADDITION TO AGENDA – NEW BUSINESS – ITEM F

Upon Motion by Council Member Saunders and second by Council Member Archie, an Ordinance reauthorizing and reapproving the execution of a Deed of Lease by the City of Danville with the Commonwealth of Virginia, by the Science Museum of Virginia was added to the Agenda under New Business as Item F. The Motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

Upon Motion by Council Member Daniels and second by Vice-Mayor Williams, Minutes of the April 6, 2004 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented. Draft copies had been distributed to Council Members prior to the meeting.

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HEARING-FY 2004-2005 CDBG & HOME ENTITLEMENT ACTION PLAN

Mayor Hamlin opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider approval of the Final Program Statement for the 2004-2005 Community Development Block Grant Action Plan. Notice of the Public Hearing had been duly published in the Register and Bee on March 7, 2004. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Castiglione moved the adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-04.03

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FINAL PROGRAM STATEMENT FOR THE 2004-2005 ACTION PLAN, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME ENTITLEMENT FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

Council Member Daniels seconded the Motion.

Council Member Smith spoke on behalf of the Homeless Shelter. Mr. Smith requested that a portion of the CDBG Funds be set aside for allocation to the Homeless Shelter. He said he felt it would be appropriate to use some of these funds for the shelter. Mr. Smith felt that an amount between \$2400 and \$3600 would be sufficient.

City Manager Gwaltney said that if Council desired to do so, an amount of \$3,000 could be pulled from park improvement funds without hurting that program.

Council Member Smith moved to amend the Resolution to include under Final Program Statement B, \$3,000 for the Homeless Shelter to be added as Item #18 and from Item #15 Park Improvements, subtract \$3,000. Council Member Luther seconded the Motion.

Council Member Daniels said he was unaware of where the Shelter received their funds. He wondered if they needed the funds because he felt they were surviving without CDBG funds.

Mr. Smith said he had spoken with the Shelter's Board Members and he understood that the services were adequate, but they were experiencing cash flow problems constantly.

Mr. Daniels wondered where the line would be drawn. He felt this might open the door for other organizations to request funds from the City.

Dr. Williams said he understood that a portion of the CDBG funds is required to be allocated for community service-type organizations. There are a number of applications in the Community Development office requesting to be included in the funding.

Council Member Luther said one of the stated purposes is to provide affordable housing for individuals. He said the City has homeless citizens and the Police Department

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receives requests on an almost daily basis to transport individuals to the homeless shelter. Mr. Luther said he could not think of a better use of Federal money than to provide for homeless individuals.

Mr. Daniels said he did not disagree with anything that was said, but he did not have enough information to support the issue.

The Motion to **amend** was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-1
AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Hamlin, Luther, Rawley, Saunders,
Smith, and Williams (8).
NAY: Daniels (1).

The **original** Motion was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Rawley, Saunders,
Smith, and Williams (9).
NAY: None (0).

BUDGET AMENDMENT – FY 2003-2004-COPS GRANT

Upon Motion by Council Member Luther and second by Council Member Rawley, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-04.03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE BY INCREASING REVENUE TO ANTICIPATE THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) GRANT ADMINISTRATION DIVISION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,740 AND APPROPRIATING SAME

was presented by its First Reading, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

BUDGET AMENDMENT-FY 2003-2004-DMV HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT

Upon Motion by Council Member Rawley and second by Council Member Archie, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-04.04

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE BY INCREASING REVENUE TO ANTICIPATE THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 AND APPROPRIATING SAME

was presented by its First Reading, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

BUDGET AMENDMENT-FY 2003-2004-LUNA INCENTIVE PACKAGE

Upon Motion by Council Member Daniels and second by Council Member Castiglione, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-04.05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE BY INCREASING REVENUES FROM THE TOBACCO REGIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND, THE GOVERNOR'S OPPORTUNITY FUND AND A CITY TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT GRANT FOR THE LUNA INNOVATIONS LOCATION INCENTIVE PACKAGE FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$900,000 AND APPROPRIATING THE SAME

was presented by its First Reading, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

BUDGET AMENDMENT-FY 2003-2004-TELVISTA INCENTIVE PACKAGE

Upon Motion by Council Member Castiglione and second by Council Member Rawley, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-04.06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE BY INCREASING REVENUES FROM THE TOBACCO REGIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND, THE GOVERNOR'S OPPORTUNITY FUND AND A CITY TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT GRANT FOR THE TELVISTA LOCATION INCENTIVE PACKAGE FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$900,000 AND APPROPRIATING THE SAME

was presented by its First Reading, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

LEASE – CITY & COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA-SCIENCE MUSEUM

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Vice-Mayor Williams moved the adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-04.07

AN ORDINANCE REAUTHORIZING AND REAPPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A DEED OF LEASE BY THE CITY OF DANVILLE WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, BY THE SCIENCE MUSEUM OF VIRGINIA.

The Motion was seconded by Council Member Daniels and adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0

AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Rawley, Saunders, Smith, and Williams (9).

NAY: None (0).

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications from the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, and City Clerk.

Interim City Attorney Whitfield reminded everyone that the next regular Council Meeting would be held on Thursday, May 6 since Councilmanic elections will be held on Tuesday, May 4.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Archie said that anyone who did not the public open house at the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research on Sunday missed a treat. She encouraged everyone to attend the grand opening, which will be held in June.

Mrs. Archie advised there would be a public forum for City Council candidates on Saturday, April 24 at 12 noon at Loyal Baptist Church. The Public is invited.

Council Member Castiglione announced that Wednesday, April 21 is Administrative Professionals Day. He said he appreciated all the work done behind the scenes to make the work of the administration easier.

Mr. Castiglione announced there would be another public forum for Council candidates on Tuesday, April 27 at 7:00 P.M. at the American Legion Post 325. He encouraged everyone to vote on May 4.

Mayor Hamlin advised he and City Manager Gwaltney attended Averett University's Economic Impact gathering today. He reported that on an annual basis, approximately

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\$16,313,703 comes to the region through the efforts of Averett University. Mayor Hamlin praised the impact the University makes in Danville on a daily basis.

Mayor Hamlin announced that on Thursday, April 22, Secretary of Transportation Whitt Clement would be in Danville for the dedication of the new Science Museum additions. Mr. Clement, when a Member of the House of Delegates, came up with the concept of changing the train station to a museum. It was through his efforts that the City received ISTE A funds to make the change.

Mayor Hamlin announced that at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 23, groundbreaking would take place for the ARCATT facility located in the Cyber Park.

Council Member Luther advised that today is Volunteer Appreciation Day. To those citizens who take time out of their day to volunteer, especially those in the public schools, Mr. Luther offered his thanks.

Mr. Luther encouraged everyone to vote on May 4.

Council Member Rawley asked for a report on the junkyard ordinance enforcement. Mr. Rawley reported he has seen great improvements, but would like to make sure everyone is complying.

Mr. Rawley called attention to an article "Cities That Get It," that had been placed at the desk of each Council Member. He said it follows the lines of where the City is now as far as economic development and other matters are concerned.

Vice-Mayor Williams said the appointment process is beginning and encouraged citizens to send in applications.

Dr. Williams asked for a report on the Fixed Base Operator's Agreement. Deputy City Manager Lacy said that on Thursday, April 15, a final draft of the Agreement had been presented to Mike Rembold for review.

Mrs. Archie advised that the sponsor for the candidate forum to be held on Saturday at Loyal Baptist Church is Alpha Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Mr. Castiglione said that even though there is a referendum for School Board elections, the School Board appointment process would continue as usual.

Mayor Hamlin announced there would be a Budget Work Session at the Senior Citizens Center on Wednesday, April 21, beginning at 5:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

The Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

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MAYOR

CLERK